

It is very surprising to me that the F.C.C. would even consider any petition limiting legitimate competition. Even more surprising is that the N.A.B. and the F.C. C. would put these limits in front of the common good and safety of the traveling public. I am an Over-the-road truck driver and have more than 25 years experience. I have seen many changes in our business and many innovations that have come and gone. The satellite radio has been one of the greatest of them all. Thanks to satellite radio I have news, sports, and weather and traffic information in certain metropolitan areas available to me at the push of a button. More importantly is that this information is constantly updated and presented without commercial interruption. This allows me to concentrate on my driving and not "channel surfing" to find which station is going to carry this information when the last station goes back to music. Traffic and weather situations change constantly and I need to be able to react to these changes. Further as I am willing to subscribe to this service, I would feel that I have the right to purchase these services and have those services available to me in a format that serves me the best. I will hope that the F.C.C. will not bend to these lobbying powers and side with XM and its listeners and reject petition 04-160